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Rear Admiral J. J. Manning, C. G., USN  
Chief, Bureau of Yards and Docks  
Department of the Navy  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Admiral Manning:

In reply to your letter of 11 January 1949, I wish to advise you that, as you requested, we shall have someone, most probably General Wright, give the lecture at the Port Moresby Seminar and also that we shall have a speaker for you at the Washington Seminar on 5 April.

I regret that on 4 April I shall be absent from Washington and will not be available for a visit to Europe at that time, but perhaps I shall be available for 5 April. In any case, we shall make sure that you have a speaker.

With very best wishes, believe me,

Sincerely,

Signed & dispatched 1/13/49

S. H. Hillemeetter  
Rear Admiral, USN  
Director of Central  
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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY  
BUREAU OF YARDS AND DOCKS  
WASHINGTON 25, D.C.

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Dear Admiral Hillenkoetter:

The Third Bureau of Yards and Docks Seminar, covering a two week program of instruction and information for officers of the Civil Engineer Corps Reserve, residing west of the Mississippi River, is to be held at Port Hueneme, California, from the 2nd to the 15th of March, 1949. These Seminars, including the Washington Bureau of Yards and Docks Seminar held for the Civil Engineer Corps Reserve Officers, residing east of the Mississippi River, have become the outstanding Forum for the Civil Reserve Officers that are selected to attend.

At the September 1948 Seminar held in Washington, D. C., it was our extreme pleasure to have Brigadier General E. F. Wright, USA, who gave an excellent lecture on the subject of "World Conditions and Intelligence". Similarly, at the November 1948 Seminar held in Port Hueneme, California, [redacted] favored us with another excellent lecture on the same subject. These lectures were so well received that we wish to call on you again for this splendid service.

We would like to have either General Wright or Captain Ford present this lecture at the third Seminar in Port Hueneme, California, on 3 March 1949 for period 1440-1600.

The sixth Bureau of Yards and Docks Seminar at Washington, D. C. follows at 31 March to 13 April 1949. Likewise, we would like to have either General Wright or [redacted] repeat the lecture at the Washington Seminar on 5 April 1949 for period 0900-1020.

We would be greatly honored if you could present the lecture in case General Wright and [redacted] are not available.

Your approval to this request will be greatly appreciated. Please advise as soon as possible.

With kindest regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

/s/ J. J. Manning

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Dr. E. Alfred Marquard



Dear Al:

It was a great pleasure to receive your letter of 7 January 1949—not only because of the invitation to address the Rotary Club in St. Louis, but because of the pleasure of hearing from you personally. As regards making an address before the Rotary Club, I shall have to decline because we are very busy in Washington now, and, further, I am afraid that I could not give a particularly good address regarding the intelligence organization of the Central Intelligence Agency. No intelligence organization, worthy of the name, can conduct its affairs in the bright glare of publicity, and, for that reason, I am trying as much as possible to avoid any public addresses or public articles or anything similar.

Thanks very much for your kind invitation to stay with you if and when I come to St. Louis. You may be sure that next time I come through I shall certainly give you a ring, but just at this time I cannot give even an approximate date when I might be able to get away from Washington.

I hope that everything is going very well with you and with the best of wishes for 1949, please believe me,

Sincerely,

Signed & dispatched 1/11/49

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